


Prayer Concerns

Let us know how we can pray for you. Call the office 303-776-8771.

- † Peggy McDonald—recovering from foot surgery on December 17.
  - † Raegan Courtemache—age 12, had surgery December 16 on her right hip, both knees, and her right foot to correct some improper bone growth due to a bone disease. Mom is Kristianna Vedvik, and older sister is Reiley.
  - † Alice Cuba—recovering from surgery at LUH on December 16.
  - † John & Crystal Buck—praise to God for a healthy son , Wyatt Ryan, born December 15.
  - † Mae Katschke—recovering from foot surgery on December 15.
  - † Ed & Diane Broestl—rejoice on the birth of a healthy grandson, Kellen Trent, born to Jeremy & Charlotte Broestl on December 14.
  - † Jason Irvin—recovering from knee surgery on December 11.
  - † Julie Zumhofe—recovering from knee replacement surgery at LUH on December 14.
  - † Dale Jurgensmeyer—recovering from total knee replacement on December 10.
  - † Lis & Allen Schaff family—Lis’s father lost his battle with cancer on November 23.
  - † Bob & Karyn Reed—on the death of Karyn’s dad, Bob Cottle, on November 29.
  - † For those in our FCLC family—who have lost jobs.
  - † Jon Prout, Eric Smith, Zack Morton, Brandon Lockwood, Ian McCormick, Matthew Parker, Jared Adams, Chris Hassa, Robb Kammerzell, Brent Davis, Ryan Moore, Ramee Opperrude: FCLC members and relatives of members in US military forces: for God’s protection; strength for body, mind, and soul.
  - † Matt Brents—in Iraq on a one-year civilian contract: for his safety and God’s peace.
- The following families who are battling cancer and its effects:
- † Judy Heller—ongoing chemotherapy every three weeks.
  - † Ken Lowry—results from CAT scan show that the tumors have shrunk; praise & thanksgiving.
  - † Jeff & Kim Bonds family—Jeff’s brother, Jerry, battling Multiple Myeloma.
  - † Kathy Cook—for strength and peace for her mother, Eilene, who has lung cancer.
  - † Sharon Kirby-Cole—her son, DJ, battling terminal cancer.
- Blue indicates new or change in prayer request.

Baptized at Saturday worship:

 Joseph Alan Rohnke, son of Kevin & Angie Rohnke. Joseph’s sponsors are Al & Rita Lechman.  
Caden Jay Cline, son of Adam & Stacy Cline; Caden’s sponsor is Amy Germundson; and his grandparents are Rob & Connie Germundson.  
We welcome you into the Lord’s family and the family of FCLC.

The Week Ahead at FCLC  
For updated info: [www.fclc.org](http://www.fclc.org), click Calendar button

Sunday, December 20  
8:45 AM WORSHIP  
10:00 AM -NO Sunday School  
11:15 AM WORSHIP  
2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Centro Cristiano  
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Cleaners  
6:00 PM - 7:45 PM All Teams Rehearsal  
Monday, December 21  
Tuesday, December 22  
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Men’s “Exodus” Study  
9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Knitters & Crocheters  
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Boy Scouts  
6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Centro Cristiano  
Wednesday, December 23  
6:30 AM - 7:30 AM Men’s Bible Study  
8:30 AM - 11:00 AM Library Book Shelving  
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM NO Confirmation & WNL  
8:30 PM - 10:00 PM Cleaners

Church Office Closed:  
December 24 @ 2:00pm,  
December 25  
December 28  
December 31 @ 12:00 pm  
January 1, 2010



Thursday, December 24  
2:00 PM Office Closed for Christmas Eve  
2:30 PM Christmas Eve Service  
4:15 PM Christmas Eve Service  
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM Centro Cristiano  
6:00 PM Christmas Eve Service  
7:45 PM Christmas Eve Service  
Friday, December 25  
~ Merry Christmas ~  
Church Office Closed  
Saturday, December 26  
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM Worship "Pray & Prep"  
5:30 PM - 6:15 PM WORSHIP  
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Cleaners  
Sunday, December 27  
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM Bonfils Blood Drive  
8:45 AM WORSHIP  
10:00 AM Exodus Tour Tidbits  
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM NO Sunday School  
11:15 AM WORSHIP  
2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Centro Cristiano  
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Cleaners



...are given by  
The Mertz Family



The Celebration of Worship  
at Faith Community Lutheran

Before worship, talk to God. During worship, let God talk to you.  
After worship, talk to your fellow worshiper.

Here at Faith Community Lutheran...We almost always follow the traditional order of worship familiar to most Lutherans, but usually our services are a “blend” of old and new music. As Lutherans, we view ourselves as a church of “Word & Sacrament.” Therefore, “God’s Word” is held in high esteem as we follow lessons and sermon with our Bibles open. FCLC is among a growing number of Lutheran Churches committed to celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion every week.

Gathering

Gathering Music		Time for Prayer and Meditation
Welcome		Pastor Dan Hansen
Opening Hymn		“Hark the Herald Angels Sing”
Apostolic Greeting, Confession & Forgiveness		
Song of Praise		“O Come, O Come Emanuel”
Lighting of the Advent Candle	5:30	Jesse & Sarah Demmel family
	8:45	Peggy Brossman & Hailie Frost
	11:15	Tom & Michelle Kramer family
Prayer of the Day		
Sacrament of Holy Baptism	5:30	Joseph Alan Rohnke
		Caden Jay Cline

Word

First Lesson	Micah 5:2-5a, p.1334
Psalm	80:1-7, p.833
Second Lesson	Hebrews 10:5-10, p.1734
† Gospel Verse	“Magnificat”
The Holy Gospel	Luke 1:39-55, p.1470
The Hand of Peace	We invite you to learn new names.
† Children’s Message	Eli Pugh, Evelyn Weston, Kyler Krantz
The Sermon	Pastor Dan Hansen
Hymn of Response	“Mary Lowly, Who Is Holy”
Statement of Faith	Apostles’ Creed
Tithes & Offerings	“A Way in a Manger”
	“The Christmas Shoes”
Prayers	Worshippers are invited to share their prayers.

Meal

Words of Institution	The Lord’s Prayer
Sacrament of Holy Communion	
“What Child is This;” “Think About His Love;” “The Bells of Christmas;”	
“He Brings Peace;” “White as Snow;” “When the Night is Falling”	

Sending

Post-Communion Blessing	
Closing Hymn	“Freedom is Coming”
Dismissal	“Go in Peace, Serve the Lord...”

† Sunday Only

If you desire prayer support, two Stephen Ministers  
will be available at the front of the Sanctuary.



We welcome little children as we worship! In respect for others, you may bring your rest-less child(ren) to our well-equipped, staffed nursery during the service. Our speaker system provides excellent audio of the service in the Narthex and nursery.

—Thank you

Worship Services

Saturday 5:30 PM  
Sunday 8:45 AM & 11:15 AM

Christian Education

Sunday School for all ages  
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM  
(Closed 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)

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Fourth Sunday in Advent  
December 19 & 20, 2009

Welcome, Guests!

We are grateful that you have remembered the Sabbath to

Being Shepherded

As I read today’s Bible lessons I am happy and excited. It is reassuring to read the familiar story of Mary visiting her cousin Elizabeth; about Elizabeth’s baby leaping in her womb when he hears Mary’s voice. We are assured by this wonderful “proof” that our Savior is indeed the Savior, and has been since before time began.

The Prophet Micah reassures us that Jesus’ physical presence on earth was planned by God long before He was born. Indeed everything about His birth, life, and death was planned and foretold. The Father was in control of His life.

Are we really comfortable with this much control in our lives? The familiar words, “O Shepherd of Israel, You who lead...” that appear often in the Bible in several different ways, are very comforting. It’s wonderful to know that God is here for us at all times. All we have to do is ask, and He will lead us, take care of us and show us the way. He sent Jesus to die for our sins. All we have to do is follow God’s Word and Jesus’ teachings, accept His forgiveness, and we are saved.

Do I want to be led around all the time, and pushed from behind like a sheep? Let’s face it, sheep are really pretty stupid! They will, if left alone, stay put until all the grass and roots are eaten, not having brains enough to move on their own until their pasture is ruined beyond repair. I’m not so happy being compared to a sheep! I’m not sure I need that much “help” with my life. After all, I’m an intelligent, educated adult.

When I stop and think about my life: my sins, my failures, my temper, my un-God-like behavior; I think maybe I am just like a sheep—not too bright. Maybe I don’t know when to move on, or where to go, or how to ask for forgiveness, or even how to work in a group to praise God. Even my resentment is a sin - a separation from the God who is so loving and gracious. God, who is so wonderful to me, knew long before I was born, that I would need a Savior. He sent His Son for me.

When I stop and think of the difficult life and horrible death that Jesus had on this earth, I am even more ashamed and driven to my knees in repentance for my many sins and in gratitude for my many blessings. Like Mary I need to sing out loud, “For He has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God.”



The mission Christ gave to all churches...  
“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...”  
--Matthew 28:19

Scriptures for First Weekend after Christmas December 26 & 27, 2009:

First Lesson: 1 Samuel 2:18-26  
Psalm 148  
Second Lesson: Colossians 3:12-17  
Holy Gospel: Luke 2:41-52



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### Weekend Worship Servants – December 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009

	Sat 5:30 PM	8:45 AM	11:15 AM
Greeters	Mike & Lisa Smith	Peggy McDonald Linda Kepler	Ewald & Kathe Schelet
Head Ushers	Mike & Lisa Smith	Paul & Natalie James Ed & Ethel Owens	Gordy Wallace
Ushers	Scott & Erika Snyder	The Krantz Men	Jeff Bladt Mark Flowers
Lectors	Lisa Smith	Diane Broestl	Jody McClurkin
Communion Prep	Mike & Lisa Smith	Harvey and Marilyn Jackson	
Communion CleanUp	Mike & Lisa Smith	Debbie Austin	
Communion Assist	Mike & Lisa Smith	Joel & Joan Schell Marv & Joyce Heimbichner	Jere Griffiths Debbie Austin Hilde Lowry Janelle Olson
Children's Church Assistant	----	----	Jill Woo Ching Ben Woo Ching
Acolyte	----	Jake Kotula	Diana Austin
Nursery	----	Ben and Heather Gomez	Jill, Keenan, and Kyler Krantz
Sound	Lee Quaintance	Jan Baas	Jan Baas
VPU	Steve Hansen	Marcie Mason	Marcie Mason
Welcome Center	----	Doug Inskeep Tom Kramer	Greg Harms Craig Chaney
Office Volunteer	Veta Hartman		

Worship Attendance Week 49 December 12 <sup>th</sup> and 13 <sup>th</sup>			Treasurer's Report through 11/30/09		
	2009	2008		2009	2008
Sat 5:30	107	52	Budget YTD	\$819,289	\$738,490
Sun 8:45	308	181	General Offering YTD	\$711,101	\$660,920
Sun 11:15	212	234	Expenses YTD	\$695,827	\$657,580
Total	627	467	Needed per week	\$17,187	\$14,438
2009 Average Attendance to date:	536		Received per week	\$14,815	\$13,769
2008 Average Attendance to date:	520				\$11,535
2009 Sunday School Attendance:	165 / 67 A				
2008 Sunday School Attendance:	128 / 45 A				

**Do you know someone...** who is going through a difficult time? Are you struggling with the loss of a loved one, loneliness, cancer, a lay-off, divorce, spiritual crisis, recuperation, or depression?

Our Stephen Ministers can provide the support you need. Talk with one of our Stephen Leaders: Julie Baas at 303-772-4995 or Janet Streed at 970-785-2332. It's distinctively Christian. It's confidential. It's a great way for us to show you how much we care!

Please let us know if you'd like prayers & anointing with oil after worship. This can be arranged on short notice!! Just tell Pastor Dan.



## Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Services

Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009

2:30 PM, 4:15 PM, 6:00 PM, 7:45 PM

"For unto you a Child is born..."

Christmas is a great time for evangelism, koinonia, joy, hope, peace—please invite your friends and neighbors. We are looking forward to the joy of worshipping the Christ-child once again!  
-Pastor Dan

### Nursery Schedule on Christmas Eve

The nursery will be staffed on Christmas Eve at the following services: 2:30 PM, 4:15 PM, and 6:00 PM

The nursery will NOT be staffed at the 7:45 PM service.

### Advent Reading

Browse the devotional, inspirational, family worship ideas, Christmas fiction, and LOTS of children's Christmas picture books displayed in the narthex today. Check out your selection at the display table; all are available for circulation. Make a quiet 'time-out' from all the pre-holiday bustle to rest and focus on the reason for this joyous celebration. - Lois Ward, Librarian



### Tidbits of Egypt, Jordan & Israel



Sunday, December 27<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM, in Sunrise Room 226  
Featuring photos, commentary and related Bible passages. Contact:

### Mission Possible: Lenten Devotional

It's only December, but now is the time to volunteer to write a devotion! We need writers for the 46 devotions to be included in FCLC's own Lenten Devotional. Sign up by January 3<sup>rd</sup> to write a devotion or two. As in the past, scripture passages and writing guidelines are provided. Please contact Nanette at [nanette@fcl.org](mailto:nanette@fcl.org) if you are interested in helping out.



### 2009 Contributions

According to IRS regulations, all contributions for 2009 must be received by the church or postmarked no later than December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009. Thank you for your cooperation and gifts!

### 2010 Endowment Applications

The Endowment Board is currently accepting applications for the 2010 grants. Forms are available at the Welcome Center in the narthex. The emphasis of the endowment grants are on enhancing and extending the life and mission of our congregation, which may include support for: domestic and foreign missions; scholarships; professional staff for special seminars; community projects; and, building expansion or improvements. Completed applications can be turned in to Susan Moller. **Deadline is December 31, 2009.**

### Lutheran Family Services Fundraising Concert

Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM featuring

Amy Grant at The Paramount Theatre, 1621 Glenarm Place, Denver, 80202.

Tickets to this fundraising event may be purchased in any of these methods:

1. Via the Web: [www.lfsc.org](http://www.lfsc.org) OR
2. Call 1-866-461-6556 OR
3. Stop by The Paramount Box Office, Pepsi Center, or
4. Dick's Sporting Goods Park
5. Ticket Prices range from \$40 to \$150. There are limited tickets available for \$150 which also includes a dessert reception with Amy Grant.



### WACKY Potluck and Program:

"From Hubble to James Webb: NASA's Great Observatories"

Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall  
Potluck Dinner and a Program!

- A-K please bring a main dish
- L-Z please bring a salad or dessert



We have an exciting program planned for this event. Our speaker will be Mark Bergeland, who is the Director of the James Webb Space Telescope program at Ball Aerospace in Boulder. The title of the presentation: "From Hubble to James Webb: NASA's Great Observatories." Mark will give an overview of Ball's extensive involvement in the development of the Hubble and James Webb Space Telescopes.

Please enter through the west doors. See you there!

**WACKY** is a group of folks who are Without Any Children, Kids or Youth at home. We meet quarterly for a potluck dinner and entertainment.

### HeartCraft

Dear Brothers and Sisters,



On behalf of HeartCraft, we would like to thank you for once again so graciously hosting us and allowing us to have such a pleasing venue for our international handicrafts! You were so generous in your purchases—meaning that more precious people among the nations will have the opportunity to hear of God's deep love for them!

Moreover, many of you helped us to unload and setup the display...and others helped us pack up and reload the trailer; you worked so hard, and we much appreciate your labors of love on our behalf!

Do have meaningful Holy Days ahead, and His guidance and blessings in the New Year!

Lovingly,  
Tim Sullivan and the HeartCraft Staff!

### Welcome Center



This weekend our Welcome Center will be staffed by members of the FCLC Council! This Sunday meet Doug Inskeep (Youth), Tom Kramer (Stewardship), Greg Harms (Youth Chair candidate), and Craig Chaney (Treasurer)!

Please stop by with questions about upcoming events and how YOU can get involved in our Faith Family!

**Please—No Food or Coffee in the Sanctuary**